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For: SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR )  
MANAGING A FINANCIAL )  
INVESTMENT FUND )

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

**STATUS INQUIRY**


According to our records, the above-identified application was filed on November 14, 2003. The last document we received from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office was the Notice of Publication of Application, received in our office on June 10, 2005. However, to date, no further action on the part of the USPTO has been received.

In view of these circumstances, the undersigned attorney respectfully requests that he be advised of the status of this application as soon as possible in order to determine whether further action by the applicant is required at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

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